

THE GIRL RESERVES

I.—High School Girl Reserves
CACTUS CORPS
 Cactus Corps song: Tune—"Dip Boys, Dip the Oar."
 The Cactus Corps is calling,
 And will not let us rest,
 But bids us all help her
 In working for the best.
 Join us, the Cactus Corps!
 Whatever hardships we shall meet,
 We'll work hard for what we stand,
 As the Cactus Corps we greet.

Koichi Kojima
 At our last meeting, Miki gave a five minutes talk on "Gracious in Manner." She asked Kiyu and Daisy to give a report at the next meeting about what they have been doing as Girl Reserves. "Speed Our Republic" was chosen as our corps hymn.

Then we talked about the hike. Miki reported that the Everlasting Corps had accepted our invitation and we decided where to meet and what to bring. Rose Marie Silva will give a talk on "Impartial Judgment," at our next meeting.

We are all trying to win points. When we were starting on the hike Miss Underhill said, "What are those sticks for?" "Flags," said Koichi. "Flags?" "Yes, signal flags." My, we were all surprised. We all learned how to use them after lunch. Every girl won a point by building a fire and Adele won two because she made the cocoa. Miki is taking evening walks so as to accomplish 30 miles in ten days.
 Miki Tokita

II.—Rose Corps.

The Rose Corps consists of eight girls who haven't been very active as yet on account of the corps leader being unable to call meetings. Kimiyo was elected our leader but resigned. She says a leader must do more work than others. She must wake up the dead ones in her corps. She was unable to do this because of too much outside work.

Our new leader, Elaine Mahikoo, is very ambitious and will bring the corps on its feet. A meeting was held January 6. Elaine gave a five minute talk on health. She drew a triangle on the board with the sides. Work, sleep and play. She asked the members some important questions and received the answers immediately. We chose the Doxology for our corps hymn. Miss Underhill said this was one of the best meetings that had been held so far.

Fusa, our secretary and treasurer, is a dandy one. She gets after the girls and makes them pay their dues. Some of the corps members

are doing very well with their points. Maggie, is learning about bandages. This means we will have a good nurse in our corps. Sophie is learning the general service code and has started to make her flag. The folks at home are surprised to see her wig-wag, but signaling will be of great use.

Sophie Vierra

III.—H. S. Girl Reserves Hike to the Dairy

The Cactus Corps invited the Everlasting Corps on a hike to the dairy. Last Saturday our commanders met Miki, Koichi, Kikuyo, Adele, Daisy and Emma on their way to the Hanamaulu store where the corps were to meet. From the store Emma, following the new railroad, led the way to the dairy.

When they reached this place they sat down under the ironwoods to become cool and fresh again. They rested a good long while and were playing a game when Miss M. Underhill said that she was pretty hungry. The others felt pity for her so they started to build three fireplaces. When the fires were blazing, they toasted bacon and "weenies," and boiled cocoa.

After eating they sang a few songs. Daisy Contrades was persuaded to sing a Hawaiian song; Kikuyo and Koichi a Japanese duet and Emma Killau, a Japanese solo. They next took off their shoes and waded, and climbed over the rocks looking for shells and trying to catch crabs. But the crabs were altogether too wise for them. Finally Kikuyo and Emma caught one little one. Daisy, Adele and Emma got back first and when Miss Underhill tried to put on her shoe, she felt a crab and screamed. Emma looked very innocent, and then secretly put the same poor crab in the other Miss Underhill's shoe after she had turned it up to be sure there was none there. This commander took it out and ran after Emma who danced and clapped her hands at a safe distance. Next we played a jackknife game, "pulling the peg."

The person who gets through first wins and the last one has to pull the peg. Miss N. Underhill won and poor Miki was the last and had to pull the peg with her teeth after each one had pounded it into the ground. Emma said, "Poor Miki," after every hit, but everyone pounded hard.

They all went back to one of the fireplaces and lighted another fire to toast their marshmallows. After they had eaten all they could hold

"Save Children of Near East" Pleads Member of Relief Commission

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THOUSANDS of orphans throughout the Near East who owe their lives to America still look to us for their food and shelter, according to Mrs. Florence Spencer Duryea, Director of the Women's Organizations of the Near East Relief. Mrs. Duryea was a member of the Commission which has just returned to this country after a two months' investigation of conditions in the Levant.

"They look to us, for they have no one else to look to," Mrs. Duryea declares. "We have been carrying for them during the long years of warfare, which has not yet ceased in the Near East, and we must continue while the present need exists."

"Though much of our work has been done and it will require just a little more effort to complete the task, the situation this year makes immediate and effective action necessary. Due to invasion and disturbed political conditions an additional burden has been thrown upon us, especially in Armenia, where there are thousands of little tots facing a dreadful death unless we answer their appeal."

"I saw hundreds of children, so thin and weak from under-nourish-

ment that they could hardly drag themselves along the ground, crying for something to eat at the gates of Near East Relief orphanages in Alexandropol and Erivan. The institutions are already overcrowded, and unless additional facilities are provided, no more can be admitted. This means a situation so horrible that I hate to think of it, for winter is coming, and winter in Transcaucasia is bitterly cold and the starvation and disease that is now carrying off scores every day will grow worse.

"If more American women could only see the sights that I saw, of babies dying in their mothers' arms; of youngsters who still need a mother's care scratching in refuse for a morsel of something to eat; of others so shriveled up from starvation that they more resembled Egyptian mummies from some ancient tomb than anything human; if they could only see these sights, and worse, I know they would see that America did not forsake a task that up to this time has been so wonderfully done."

Mrs. Duryea was the only woman member of the Commission to visit Transcaucasia, where she was the guest of the various local governments.

they practiced signaling "Girl Reserves," "Face Life Squarely," and "Aloha." Then they went to see the cows milked by electricity. The girls saw how the milk was cooled and then put into quart and pint bottles and covered, all by machinery. It was very interesting. On our way home we sang songs and Miss N. Underhill and Koichi led the gay and energetic procession.
 Emma Killau

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